

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/056,886

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the amendment received 01/19/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-24.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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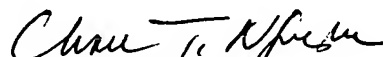
THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments, see section II on page 12, filed 01/19/2006, with respect to the drawings have been fully considered and are persuasive. The objection of the drawings has been withdrawn.
2. Applicant's arguments, see section III on page 13, filed 01/19/2006, with respect to claim 22 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The objection of claim 22 has been withdrawn.
3. Applicant's arguments, see section IV, paragraphs 3-6 on pages 14-16, filed 01/19/2006, with respect to claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 10, 13, 15-20, and 22-24 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 10, 13, 15-20, and 22-24 has been withdrawn.
4. Applicant's arguments, see section V, paragraph 2 on page 16, filed 01/19/2006, with respect to claims 7, 11, 12, and 21 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of claims 7, 11, 12 and 21 has been withdrawn.
5. Applicant's arguments, see section V, paragraph 3 on page 17, filed 01/19/2006, with respect to claims 3, 4, and 14 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of claims 3, 4, and 14 has been withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

6. Claims 1-24 are allowed.
7. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Applicant's argument that Aiken does not disclose "determining whether a response message to the second first protocol message is received on the broadcast monitoring network device" is correct. Applicant

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is also correct that Aiken does not disclose "determining a network subnet associated with the first network device" if there is no response to the second first protocol message, because the broadcast monitor device acts as an intermediary so there is no need to determine the subnet.

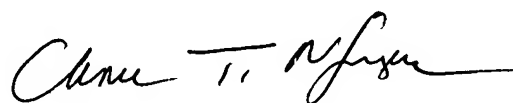
Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kerri M. Dyke whose telephone number is (571) 272-0542. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 7:00 am - 3:30 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chi Pham can be reached on (571) 272-3179. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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